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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/718,857	Applicant(s) CRAWFORD ET AL.	
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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Corral.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussion was held with respect to the top-down approach of the Applicant's invention versus the suggested bottom-up approach of the cited prior art. Proposed amendments with respect to application of common metrics to product phases and the relationship of phase goals and the weighted priority of a given common metric was also discussed.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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